

Westbrook-Gorham Rotary Board Meeting Minutes: May 8, 2023

Present: President Christine Johnson, PE Crystal L. Brown, Secretary Scott Linscott.
Judith Reidman, Kathi Perkins, Treasurer Karen Arnold, Phil Spiller

Meeting called to order about 11:05 AM by Christine

ACTION ITEMS

- 1) **MOTION:** Approve April, 2023 meeting minutes. MOTION/SECOND/APPROVED (1 abstain)
- 2) **MOTION:** New Member application. Julie Moulton. MOTION/SECOND/APPROVED
- 3) **MOTION:** Purchase 11 \$20 gift cards to Aroma Joes, cards to be presented to environmental ambassador students May 16. (Aroma Joes has donated 6, we buy 5 more)
MOTION/SECOND/APPROVED
- 4) **MOTION:** Join Cricket Comfort Project with Barbara Bush Hospital by purchasing the remaining 15 The Little Prince books for presentation to every child on June 29 International Little Prince Day.
MOTION/SECOND/APPROVED
- 5) **MOTION:** \$50 tip to four seniors on May 16 and copy of the book recommended by Crystal.
MOTION/SECOND/APPROVED
- 6) **MOTION** Donate \$1000 to My Place Teen Center for 25th anniversary gift.
MOTION/SECOND/APPROVED
- 7) **MOTION:** To provide Dasha one more stipend payment of \$125 for travel and expense money back to Ukraine to use at her discretion. MOTION/SECOND/APPROVED

REPORTS/DISCUSSIONS/NEW BUSINESS

Attended April 15 District Event

Christine, Crystal, Phil & Karen

DISTRICT GRANT UPDATE -

May 23 ribbon cutting at Riverbank Park

Club involvement:

Millside creations \$8 for 2 dogs, drink, condiments, Millside Creations

Park cleanup, host ribbon cutting,

Public visibility – info, brochures, invite, wear WG Rotary swag

Purple crocuses Polio

Pole Banner Hangers – M&H Signs
My Place Teen Center check presentation
Press

2023-2024 – District Grant Application

- * Solar pole for Gorham?
- * Senior services for underserved?

Crystal and Karen to pursue
Possible Gorham connections: Owens, Dan W., Ethan

SLATE OR OFFICERS 2023

Crystal
Phil (PE)
Christine
Karen
? VICE PRESIDENT
? Foundation chair
? Protection officer

Up to Crystal to approach her officer potentials.

SILENT AUCTION

Correspondence from district encouraging higher value donation.
Need a photo to better communicate value

GOLF TOURNAMENT:

Website is cleaned up
Pre-commitments from some already

TREASURER REPORT –

- Budgeted charities to be presented by our Rotary year end
- Big check to Teen Center on May 23
- Big check to Locker Project at WTD

CULINARY ARTS STUDENT AWARD POSSIBILITIES -

- have chef select winner of \$500 scholarship
- \$100 to each of the four
- \$250 award to be presented now
- tip to the 4 students and books

STUDENT AWARDS PROCESS

- Discussion Tabled

- Document to be put back in Google Documents
- Discussion to include limits on number of scholarships to be given

YOUTH SERVICES:

- Hoping to get Dasha to come on May 23
- Dasha leaves May 29
- RYLA \$4000 – We will send \$1600 and await clarification for the rest
- Interact/Rotaract – have money left in the budget

WESTBROOK TOGETHER DAYS – June 2-3

- We are going to partner with The Locker Project and man their booth
- No fundraising

CLUB CHANGEOVER

- Frog & Turtle – too expensive as presented, goal is \$25/head goal, Christine will negotiate to try to have it there.
- JUNE 29 target date

Lobster Bake 2023 – Aug 22 at Phil's Barn

- other clubs to be invited

Meeting adjourns at 12:50 PM

NEXT BOARD MEETING JUNE 12 @ 11 AM